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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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1. KUEXTRA THREE FIVE ONE ARRIVED [ ] ZERO SEVEN  
SLANT ONE ONE ZERO FIVE ZULU. OFF LOADING COMPLETED ONE  
TWO FOUR FIVE ZULU.

2. PRIOR START ASSEMBLY THREE FIVE ONE SYSTEM FOUR  
HAD TO BE REMOVED IN ORDER CHECK OUT AND REPAIR DIFFICULTIES  
CHANNELS SIX AND SEVEN. REMOVAL COMPLETED ONE THREE THREE  
ZERO ZULU.

3. AS OF ONE EIGHT ZERO ZERO ZULU THREE FIVE ONE BOTH  
WINGS ATTACHED TO FUSELAGE MINUS FLAPS, SLIPPER TANKS AND  
NECESSARY PLUMBING CONNECTIONS. AFT FUSELAGE SECTION,  
VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL STABILIZERS INSTALLED.

4. TAIL PIPE ATTACHED TO ENGINE.

5. OTHER AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY IN PROGRESS. SHOULD NO  
REPEAT NO DIFFICULTY BE ENCOUNTERED ASSEMBLY COMPLETE AND  
READY INITIAL TEST MORNING ONE ZERO OCTOBER.

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6. FUEL FLOW CHECK, COMPASS SWING NECESSARY PRIOR TO TEST.

7. SYSTEM FOUR INSTALLED THREE FIVE ONE IN SHOP WITH REPAIRS AND CHECK OUT STARTED BY ONE FOUR ZERO ZERO ZULU. MR. ALBRO AND COMPANY PLAN WORK IN ORDER MEET PROPOSED TEST DATED CITED PARA FIVE ABOVE. BENCH CHECK FAILS TO SIMULATE FORMER FAILURE; HOWEVER FEEL DIFFICULTY LOCATED BUT PLAN TO USE SPARE CHANNELS UNTIL PROOF OBTAINED. IN MEANTIME ANTICIPATE REPAIR OF FAULTY CHANNELS AT WHICH TIME WILL USE AS BACKUP SPARES.

8. MINIMUM TEST FLIGHT REQUIREMENTS TWO HOUR TEST FOR ENGINE AND AIRFRAME FUNCTIONING AND AIRWORTHINESS AS WELL AS SYSTEM FOUR FUNCTIONING PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFO IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED:

- A. MAX LANDING WEIGHT UNDER PROPOSED CONFIGURATION
- B. ALTITUDE AND RANGE (OPERATIONAL) CURVES FOR PROPOSED CONFIGURATION.
- C. MACH LIMITATIONS WITH SLIPPER TANKS INSTALLED.

9. LACK RECEIPT INFO TO DATE SPECIFYING SYSTEMS TO BE CARRIED ON MISSION CAUSING CONSIDERABLE CONFUSION. INFORMAL INFO FROM MR. WILLIS INDICATES POSSIBLE USE SYSTEMS ONE AND THREE WITH SYSTEM FOUR. SHOULD THIS BE TRUE ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT MOD REQUIRED. THIS NOT NORMALLY TIME CONSUMING HOWEVER COULD DELAY THINGS UNLESS INFO RECEIVED SOONEST.

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10. [REDACTED] TO BE BRIEFED OPERATION SYSTEM FOUR SPACE  
EIGHT OCT ONE ZERO ZERO ZERO ZULU.

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11. ALL PERSONNEL ON MAX EFFORT TO BECOME OPERATIONAL  
ASAP, HOWEVER LATE ARRIVAL CHARLIE DASH ONE TWO FOUR PLACED  
US BEHIND SCHEDULE. ESTIMATE IN COMMISSION ONE ONE OCT  
SHOULD NO DIFFICULTIES BE ENCOUNTERED.

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